

Public Hearing Notices

Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Lake County Consortium (Lake County, North Chicago, Waukegan)

3:30 p.m., Thursday, July 30, 2015

2nd Floor Permit Center

500 W. Winchester Road, Libertyville

Housing & Community Development Needs Hearing

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3:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 9, 2015

10th Floor Assembly Room, County Administration Building

18 North County Street, Waukegan

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The Lake County Housing & Community Development Commission (HCDC) will hold a Public Hearing on July 30 to review the County's performance under its Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan, including the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Shelter Grants Program (ESG). In connection with this performance review, County staff is preparing a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This report covers the period from May 1, 2014 through April 30, 2015. As of July 24, 2015 copies of the CAPER will be available on the County's website at www.lakecountyil.gov/planning/communitydevelopment/Pages/caper.aspx and upon request.

Housing & Community Development Needs Hearing

The Lake County Housing and Community Development Commission will hold a Public Hearing on September 9 to obtain public input on community development and housing needs. These hearings are specifically intended to encourage continued receipt of public input on housing and community development needs throughout Lake County and specifically in the Cities of North Chicago and Waukegan. Within the context of the current 2015-19 Housing & Community Development Consolidated Plan located on Lake County's website, (<http://www.lakecountyil.gov/Planning/CommunityDevelopment/Pages/ConPlan.aspx>), public input is sought on the development of the 2016 program year (May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2017) Action Plan involving three sources of federal funds:

1. **Community Development Block Grant:** The CDBG program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses. CDBG is an important tool for helping both Lake County government and the Cities of North Chicago and Waukegan – as entitlement communities – tackle serious challenges facing their communities. CDBG funds must be used for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons. In addition, each activity must meet one of the following national objectives for the program: benefit low- and moderate-income persons, prevention or elimination of slums or blight, or address community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community for which other funding is not available.
2. **HOME Investment Partnership (HOME):** Communities use HOME - often in partnership with local nonprofit groups – to fund a wide range of activities including building, buying, and/or rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or homeownership or providing direct rental assistance to low-income people.
3. **Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG):** Service agencies can apply for ESG to address the needs of homeless people in emergency or transitional shelters and to assist people in quickly regaining stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

Public Hearing Information

All interested parties are invited and urged to attend these Public Hearings. All comments and questions will be considered. Persons in need of special arrangements (translator, specific disabilities, etc.) should contact staff at least three (3) days prior to the meeting date at 847.377.2150.

Comments

Public comments are sought regarding the CAPER either during the public hearing or in writing. Comments will be accepted until noon on Friday, July 31, 2015. Written comments may be directed to Lake County Community Development, 500 West Winchester Road, Unit 101, Libertyville, IL 60048. Questions, comments, and requests for information related to the Public Hearings may also be submitted to Housing & Community Development Commission staff by calling 847.377.2150.